

Sinclair
Broadcasting's
decision to force
their stations to
air an anti-Kerry
documentary days
before the election
is a clear example
of the dangers of
media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the
public airwaves free
of charge, and is
obligated by law to
serve the public
interest. But when
large companies
control the
airwaves, we get
more of what's good
for their bottom
line and less of
what we need for our
democracy.
Corporate interests
are not necessarily
akin to the public
interest. And
corporations using
their muscle for
partisan political
purposes, as
Sinclair is doing,
is not just
cheating, it's
un-American.

Sinclair's actions
show why we need to
strengthen media
ownership rules, not
weaken them. They
show why the license
renewal process
needs to involve
more than a returned
postcard. Thank you.